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MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Development Branch, DPO

SUBJECT : Verbal Communication - GXCART  
Engine Flight Test Program

1. In order that complete development engineering support be provided on a timely basis for subject program, it is imperative that a system of verbal communication be established between the Pratt & Whitney Senior Project Engineer at [ ] and the Assistant Chief Engineer at West Palm Beach, Florida. Such a system is required in order that instantaneous decisions be made concerning surfaced engine problems and that design and hardware fixes for these problems be processed immediately with no time lost. The existing system of written cable communication by itself falls short of this requirement in terms of time expended and full expression of the problems and needs associated with this most technically complex program.

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2. Security implications of such a verbal system improperly used are well recognized and in this light it is recommended that strong consideration be given to the installation of a "fail safe" scramble telephone with usage limited to one or two key personnel at each end using an approved system of coded language for reference to any basic aircraft/engine flight performance parameters and/or identifications.

3. In keeping with the Director's clear mandate that no stone be left unturned in assuring the success of this program with absolute minimum delay which so far has resulted in substantial acceleration and dollar expenditure, it would appear prudent that a most careful consideration be given to establishing some form of secure verbal communication link.

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